

# Community Group Leader Guide

For the Week Of November 13, 2023

**Sermon Series:** The Church - Week 3

Watch the Leader Video and find all your resources online at

<https://clifec.com/community-group-resources/>

Need to watch the sermon? Check out our YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@CommunityLifeChurch>

## Announcements:

Sharing Christmas

Our Sharing Christmas ministry helps families who have fallen on hard times by providing Christmas gifts for the children in those families. It is an amazing opportunity for our church to minister to our community during the holiday season! Your Group can help by buying Gifts or volunteering at the event. <https://clifec.com/sharing-christmas/>

## Icebreaker:

What is a memory of a friend or family member that always makes you laugh?

## Quick Review:

In week three of our series “The Church” we examined how the closest relationships we have aren’t always the ones bound by blood but by faith! God has given us a spiritual family that we are grafted into!

## Make It Personal:

1. What are ways that you’ve personally felt like your community group has “shown up” for you?
2. What makes your community group special to you? What makes it different from other groups you’ve been a part of (sports teams, work groups, etc.)?

## **Go Deeper:**

3. In Genesis 2, God says, "...it is not good for man to be alone." Why do you think that is? What makes loneliness and isolation so deadly to the Christian life?

4. Read Acts 2:42-47 and note how it describes the gathering of the disciples. What's similar and what's different from your current CG gathering?

5. Acts 2:44 says that the believers had "all things in common". What does that mean to you?

## **Action Steps:**

1. What are ways that your community group could further embody what is described in Acts 2:42-47?

2. Take some time this week to follow up with a Christian brother or sister who has encouraged you in your walk of faith.

## **Prayer Requests:**

1. Pray that God would strengthen the community groups in our church and that he would add to their numbers the way that he did in Acts 2.

2. Pray for those who are in isolation and have not experienced the joy of a Christian community.

Feel free to use this guide to facilitate discussion in your community group. Modify the questions as you see fit.